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The Honorable Jon Huntsman  
Governor of Utah  
East Office Building, Suite E-220  
Salt Lake City, UT 84114

Dear Governor Huntsman:

Please accept my congratulations. Utah will be honored by the U.S. Department of Labor at a ceremony on November 1 for attaining the best performance nationally in administration of the unemployment insurance program.

The U.S. Department of Labor is celebrating performance excellence in the Unemployment Insurance (UI) system with its first annual Unemployment Insurance State Performance Excellence Awards recognizing state workforce agencies that have demonstrated the highest levels of performance in key areas of state UI operations. Utah will receive the highest honor, the Pinnacle Award, which goes to the state with the top performance overall.

By attaining the Pinnacle Award, your state is the top performer in areas that reflect the breadth of the UI system and that are most critical to its success. Utah will be honored with the Pinnacle Award at an awards ceremony in Denver, Colorado, on November 1, at a conference attended by state UI directors from across the Nation.

It is gratifying to know that workers and businesses in your state are receiving the outstanding services offered by staff at the Utah Department of Workforce Services. We look forward to celebrating your success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Emily Stover DeRocco".

Emily Stover DeRocco

cc: Ms. Tani Pack Downing, Executive Director  
Mr. William Starks, UI Director